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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1893.

SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.
AUTHORISED CAPITAL \$1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED \$1,265,000

BANKERS: LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 3 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:-

For 12 Months 5 per cent.

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" 3 " 3 "

JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1893. [193]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL \$1,000,000
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL \$500,000

HEAD OFFICE - HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:-

1. Gillies, Esq. Chow Tung Shang, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq. Kwan Ho Chuen, Esq.

H. Stoltefort, Esq.

GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.

Branches:-London, Yokohama, Shanghai and Amoy.

BANKERS:-The Commercial Bank of Scotland, Paris Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ld.).

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.

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CURRENT ACCOUNTS 2 "

Hongkong, 24th May, 1893. [18]

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL \$1,000,000
CAPITAL CALLED-UP \$2,500,000

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

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Adol. von Andr. Esq. | F. D. Sassoon, Esq.
Egbert Iverson, Esq. | H. D. Stewart, Esq.
David McLean, Esq.

HONGKONG COMMITTEE:

The Hon. J. J. Keirick | The Hon. C. P. Chater.
H. Hopius, Esq.

Head Office - 3, Princes Street, London.

Branches - Romsey, Calcutta, Hongkong, and Shanghai.

Agencies - Penang, Singapore, and Yokohama.

RATES OF INTEREST:

ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS and Fixed Deposits, can be ascertained on application.

CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1893. [187]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, WITHOUT RESERVE,

ON

SATURDAY, 4th November, 1893.

AT 2.30 P.M.

at his SALE ROOMS, ZETLAND STREET.

AN INVOICE OF JEWELLERY,

Comprising:-

GOLD LOCKETS, GOLD CROSSES, GOLD BRACELETS, GOLD LADIES' RINGS and EARRINGS, &c., &c.

ALSO,

A GREAT ASSORTMENT of JEWELRY, MOTHER OF PEARL, SILVER and GILT JEWELLERY.

ALSO,

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TERMS OF SALE:-As customary.

F. RAPP,

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THE STANDARD ENDOWMENT ASSURANCE.

1. AMONG THE MANY ADVANTAGES of this form of Assurance, the following may be mentioned:-

- (a) It secures an immediate Provision for wife and family or other relatives in event of early death.
- (b) It provides a Fund for Retirement.
- (c) It supplies an excellent Investment for the regular accumulation of small fixed sums of money.

(d) The Surrender and loan values are larger than under ordinary Policies.

2. AFTER THE POLICY HAS BEEN THREE YEARS IN FORCE should the Policy-holder wish to discontinue future payments—he will be entitled to receive, on application, a FREE PAID-UP POLICY for a proportionate amount of the Sum Assured, as explained in the Prospectus.

Full particulars on application.

DODWELL CARLILL & CO.,
Agents,
STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1893. [174]

SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept FIRE and MARINE INSURANCES on favourable terms.

Current rates, and a guaranteed Bonus equal to that paid by the local Offices.

S. J. DAVID & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1893. [145]

GENERAL NOTICE

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000. EQUAL TO \$83,333.33.

RESERVE FUND \$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq. LO YEK MOON, Esq.

LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER.—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken

AT CURRENT RATES to all parts of the World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1893. [174]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED..... \$1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,

Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE.

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Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.

WHISKIES.

LIQUEUR WHISKY (SQUARE BOTTLE).
THIS is one of the finest whiskies ever imported into China. With Aerated Water, or Hot Water and Sugar, it is simply delicious.—\$12 per case.

SCOTCH.

F.O.S.—A very fine Old Blended Whisky.—\$11 per case.

LOCHABER—A Mellow Old Scotch Whisky with fine flavour.—\$9 per dozen.

GLENMURRIE—A Pure Malt Whisky. Excellent value for the money.—\$7 per dozen.

G.N.

OLD TOM—A very fine Sweetened Gin, Bottled expressly for us.—\$5 per dozen.

KEY BRAND—In small White Glass Bottles. The very finest procurable.—\$8 per dozen.

CHARTREUSE, CURACOA, D.O.M., &c.

All previous quotations cancelled. The above prices are calculated for a 2/5 Dollars.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1893.

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

VEGETABLE AND FLOWER SEEDS.

SEASON 1893-94.

THE FIRST SHIPMENTS OF OUR SUPPLIES OF GARDEN SEEDS

for this season have arrived, and we are now prepared to book orders for prompt or forward execution. Complete Catalogues with concise directions for sowing can be obtained on application, or will be posted to any address. In these Catalogues the seeds are marginally numbered in English and Chinese, and when ordering it is quite sufficient to state only the numbers of the kinds required.

Orders from one person, of from \$5.00 to \$10.00, allowed as per cent. discount; over \$10.00, an extra 5 per cent.

CLAY'S FERTILISER.

A high class Fertiliser for Pot Plants and for use in the Garden generally. It supplies natural nourishment to the soil and assists the process of assimilation, thereby aiding the plants to attain to their full size, vigour, and beauty.

Sold in Tins containing 10 lbs. each.....\$1.50
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RANSOME'S "NEW PARIS"

LAWN MOWERS.
The best and cheapest machines in the market. Kept in stock and supplied at Manufacturer's prices.

FERMINGERS' MANUAL OF GARDENING FOR THE TROPICS.

This work is alike interesting to the student of botany and to the practical gardener, and comprises a large number of plants which for the convenience of reference are arranged in separate groups and are headed with their ordinary and botanical names.

THE CULTIVATION OF FLOWERS, VEGETABLES, FRUIT TREES, &c.

is practically dealt with, and Pruning, Grafting, and Manuring thoroughly explained.

Price \$7.50.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,
The Hongkong Dispensary.
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

Hongkong, 4th September, 1893.

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TELEGRAMS.

THE MASHONALAND "SHINDY."
LONDON, October 31st.

The British columns are expected to reach Bulawayo on the 4th of November. The Matabeles have repeatedly cut the telegraph wires, and consequently reliable information regarding the local aspect of affairs cannot be ascertained.

BRITAIN'S DEATH-KNELL (?)

France has granted Russia the right to make use of any French Naval Station in the Mediterranean. The Times correspondent, who claims to have thoroughly inspected the Toussieu Arsenal, reports that the French are strong

enough to wipe out the present British Mediterranean fleet.

HOME RULE.

Mr. John E. Redmond, Member for Waterford City, said in a speech that the Parades would support the Government's English measures next year, provided the Ministry would devote a week of the Autumn Session to the grievances of the evicted tenants.

SHANGHAI AUTUMN MEETING.

(Special to the Hongkong Telegraph.)

THIRD DAY.—WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST.

The following are the results of yesterday's racing:—

The GRAND STAND STAKES; value, Tls. 100, added to a sweepstakes of Tls. 6 each; for China ponies, being bond side griffins at time of entry; first pony to receive 75 per cent.; second pony, 75 per cent; for inches as per scale; winners of one race, Tls. extra; two or more races, Tls. extra. One mile.

Mr. Ring's Hellion.....1
Mr. Sassoon's Viceroy.....3
Mr. Uto's Sangford.....3

FLYAWAY PLATE; value, Tls. 100; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; entrance, Tls. 5; Seven furlongs.

Mr. Sassoon's Mighty.....1
Mr. Sassoon's Blackberry.....2
Mr. John Peel's Merry Thought.....3

The HACK STAKES; value, Tls. 100; for China ponies (without the restriction to height specified in by-law No. 1) not otherwise entered at this meeting, and that have never won a race; weight, 100 lbs.; entrance, Tls. 5. Once round.

Mr. Ring's Gleeson.....1
Mr. Hampton's Shanks.....2
Mr. Jack's Daydream.....3

The PARI-MUTUEL CUP; value, Tls. 150; second pony, 75 per cent., and the third pony 25 per cent. of the stakes; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; griffins at date of entry allowed 7 lbs.; non-starters and winners at this meeting 7 lbs. extra; entrance, Tls. 5. One mile and a half.

Mr. John Peel's Vagrant.....1
Mr. Sassoon's Lightning.....2
Mr. Uto's Bastycorn.....3

The COSMOPOLITAN CUP; value, Tls. 150; second pony, Tls. 50; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; winners at this meeting of one race, Tls. extra; two or more races, Tls. extra; entrance, Tls. 10. One mile and three-quarters.

Mr. Trebaun's Bull.....1
Mr. Sassoon's Zephyr.....2
Mr. Redfern's Snugger.....3

The MANCHU STAKES; value, Tls. 100; second pony, Tls. 50; for China ponies, bond side griffins at date of entry that have run and not won a race; weight for inches as per scale; entrance, Tls. 5. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. Ring's Brennus.....1
Mr. John Peel's Sportsman.....2
Mr. Toog's Volga.....3

The CONSOLIDATION CUP; value, Tls. 100, second pony, Tls. 50; for ponies that have run at this meeting and not won a race and have been entered elsewhere than in the Shanghai Stakes or the Shanghai Jubilee Challenge Cup; and a pony that has run at the Hack Stakes.

On Lower Broadway, in corner plan, \$15.00 to \$30.00 per foot flat.

At the Corner of Wall and Broad Street. It can't be had at any price.

On Long Island, from a railroad, \$5 per acre. On Government land, eighty acres for nothing. In most of the South American Republics a big farm for nothing, and a bounty for settling on it.

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Mr. Sassoon's Hero.....1
Mr. Trebaun's Bowil.....2
Mr. Josse's Firefly.....3
(Won in a canter.)

The GRAND NATIONAL STREPLECHASE; value, Tls. 150; for China ponies; second pony, Tls. 50; weight for inches as per scale; non-winners allowed 7 lbs.; entrance, Tls. 5. Twice round a course selected by the Stewards.

Mr. Josse's Guarantee.....1
Mr. Robson's Campion.....2
Mr. Crosthwaite's Careless.....3

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Mr. John Peel's Talisman.....2
Mr. Sassoon's Lightning.....3

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Mr. Buxley's Big Beard.....1
Mr. John Peel's Sportsman.....2
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WOMEN AS DUELLISTS.

THE FIELD OF HONOR NOT MONOPOLIZED BY MEN.

Of course there have been duels between women ever since Leah and Rachel pulled each other's hair for jealousy of Jacob.

But duels on the field of honor between women, or between a woman and a man, are rare.

About the first according to the code between women took place in the time of Louis XV. The "great and honorable ladies," we are told, fought each other with pistols in the Bois de Boulogne for love of the handsome eyes of the Duke de Richelieu. They were the Marquise de Nesles and the Comtesse de Polignac.

"First," said the Countess,

The Marchioness fired and missed.

"Rage made her hand shake," exclaimed Mme. de Polignac. She fired.

Mme. de Nesles fell swooning. Her adversary's bullet had struck the tip of her ear.

Tallemant des Réaux relates the story of two sisters. One, Mme. de Chasteau-Cay, having taken offence against one of her friends, challenged him, and on the field wounded him.

The other, the original, Mme. La Douce, wished to punish her own husband, and, having dragged him to the duelling place, gave him, by way of conviction, three sword strokes that would have done credit to a fencing-master.

About the year 1700 there lived in Paris a young woman, very beautiful, as witty as beautiful and saucier than either. She had the writers of the time say, the prettiest eyes in the world and the waviest hair. She sometimes called herself Mme. d'Aubigny, sometimes Mme. de Maupin.

Falling in love with a provost she followed him to Marseilles, where she did all sorts of foolish things. Then, returning to Paris, she entered the opera where she met with extraordinary success and continued her exploits.

One night, wearing men's clothes, she went to a masked ball at the Palais Royal. She made herself disagreeable to a lady of the court and three gentlemen who were with the lady challenged her.

She confronted them one after another and successively placed her three adversaries As a combat.

A few days afterwards she had a duel with a fourth man, whom she seriously wounded.

In November, 1871, Baron de Trautmandorff, a diplomat, was on the eve of marrying a young widow, the Countess Ledowska de R., a Pole by birth.

An unknown rival of the Baron saw fit to ridicule him in a piece of verse signed "Baron de Ropp." The diplomat challenged the poet.

On the ground, a friend of the poet took his place with the consent of Trautmandorff, who was killed in the encounter.

Trautmandorff's second bitterly reproached De Ropp for his conduct. In an hour they had met at the road, sword in hand. Ropp wounded his antagonist; but what was his surprise and sorrow when he recognized in Trautmandorff's second the Countess Ledowska.

The Countess died of her wound; De Ropp committed suicide.

At least as 1885 Miss Shelley, an American, fought a duel with Mme. Astle de Valsayre at Waterloo. The young Yankee contended that American female doctors—she was one—knew more than the French. The fiery French woman denied it. Miss Shelley retorted. The word "duel" was used.

Mme. Astle de Valsayre demanded reparation by arms, but as Miss Shelley was as ignorant of the "duel" as she was skilled with the scalpel, the French doctor generously gave her fifteen dollars' expense to get her hand in.

The American did not back out. She was pained in the arm, honor was satisfied and the combatants were reconciled on the ground.—*St. Louis Republic.*

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

A quiet woman speaks in a commanding voice. Ellen Terry intends retiring from the stage this year.

A profit now-a-days is highly honored in its own country.

A clapping in court, it seems, may end in a slapping in gaol.

The Queen purposes visiting the Emperor of Germany in 1894.

That most ladies should steel their dresses is rather a serious matter.

Brilliancy is an excellent quality, but solidity gets there often.

Golf is becoming a fashionable pastime amongst ladies in Scotland.

The means of thievery in the world is the one who steals busy people's time.

Dirt and disease travel in pairs. Clean out the dirt and disease has little show.

"Street music is progressing," said the householder when the barrel organ moved up the road.

A mendicant advertises that he is "blind and the father of seven children by a horrible accident."

The London *Times* is the favorite newspaper of the Prince of Wales, and H.R.H. likes light reading.

The Duke of Fife has given much offence to the Queen by advising young Scotchmen to emigrate.

There is one thing about James Balloon that we like; he knew when he had got enough. That was when he couldn't get any more.

"There are compensations for women, and not a few," says Annie S. Swan. "We should say so, after the recent crop of 'breach' actions."

Again has one of the fast Atlantic steamers "broken the record." The vessels are always breaking their record, or breaking their shafts.

One of the hardest things in life for a youth is to believe that a man older than himself understands anything; but he gets there some day.

In ten years the wheat acreage in Britain has decreased by 86,000 acres. It does not pay to grow it, even with cheap goods right across the road.

Cissy Loftus, the newest mumbi hummum, and "idol of the Johnnies" in London, is only fifteen years of age. She sings "cooter" songs in good style.

The new Attorney-General at the Cape has made a maiden speech of thirteen words. He deserves to be Puffin, when the cards are shuffled again.

Lady Colin Campbell presents the proposition that kissing destroys the complexion. It certainly should in countries that don't know what lips were made for.

A Yarmouth boarding-house keeper often complains of the effort it costs to get up a meal, but for boarders maintains that much more effort is expended in getting it down.

The King of Italy proposes to hold a grand International Exhibition in Rome in 1895. That's a long time to look ahead. The King may quite well be an angel long before then.

"The ideal husband," it appears, is a many-sided creature. The top-side which he brings home with him sometimes at 3 a.m. probably includes the side-category of the ideal.

The luncheon given at Dover recently upon the occasion of the Prince of Wales' visit cost the town £700. The ratemakers are of opinion that luncheons are "off" for some little time to come.

Pockets in ladies' dresses first appeared in England during the reign of Edward III. The time when pockets in ladies' dresses first dis-

appeared is not known, but if you think they have not disappeared just endeavor to find one.

Wealth does not bring contentment;

And none gets what he asks;

For he did, he'd want the earth;

And growl about the taxes.

AMONG THE GEMS.

The emerald is now one of the rarest of precious stones.

Black, pink and golden-yellow pearls are more valuable than white.

The diamond, in a sufficient heat, will burn like a piece of charcoal.

The island of Ceylon is the most remarkable gem deposit in the world.

Play, in the 18th Century, was the first writer to describe the diamond.

Every gem known to the lapidary has been found in the United States.

The Olifant diamond is believed to be responsible for sixty-seven murders.

Diamonds are found in every color and shade, from the poorest white to jet black.

The Regent diamond was found at Golconda in the rough, weighed 410 carats.

The largest diamond ever known was the Great Mogul, which weighed, in the rough, 923 carats.

The tomb of Mohammed is covered with diamonds, sapphires and rubies, valued at \$10,000,000.

The diamond mines of Brazil have yielded over \$10,000,000 c rats of stones, valued at \$15,000,000.

A ruby of the best quality and more than three carats is worth more than a diamond of the same size and weight.

The Regent diamond, the property of the French Government, weighs 136 carats and is valued at \$12,000,000 francs.

With the funds raised by pawning the Regent diamond Napoleon was enabled to undertake the campaign that ended at Marengo.

The cutting of the "Koh-i-noor" occupied thirty-eight days, with steam-power, and cost \$40,000.

The "Regent" required two years, and cost \$24,000.

After the first discovery of the Brazilian diamond mines, 1,146 carats of diamonds were shipped to Portugal in one year, and the price fell to \$5 a carat.

The peacock throne of Shah Jehan was valued at \$30,000,000, his crown at \$12,000,000 and when he died \$150,000,000 of gems were found in his treasury.

The great South African diamond found in the Kimberley mines in 1886 weighed 457 carats rough. According to the ordinary rules of valuation it worth \$4,165,980.

The royal crown of Great Britain is composed almost entirely of diamonds, pearls and rubies, weighs thirty-nine ounces and five pence weight to Troy, and is valued at \$1,200,000.

When Pitrua sacked Peru many gems were obtained, but a monstrous emerald, as large as an ostrich egg, called the "Great Mother," was very like a fire, although it wasn't a house, you know, it was a man; Mr. Heyden himself.

Only the day after Christmas (1891) he told the story in these words. "Fifteen years ago," he said, "in December, 1876, I met with a slight accident and had great pain in my ankle, which at first I thought was sprained. In a few days the pain moved to my knee, whilst all the surrounding parts became swollen and puffed up. I could not bear to put my foot on the ground or even let the bed sheet touch the leg. A doctor who attended me for two months said it was rheumatism, and treated me accordingly. When I got a little better, he sent me to Southport for three weeks. I returned to my work again but had great difficulty in getting about, and from time to my knee I had to leave work, owing to the intense pain. Later I had excruciating pains in all my limbs, and the joints of my fingers became enlarged and grew out of shape."

"Then I consulted another doctor who attended me through several severe attacks. He said my complaint was 'Chalk Gout.' He gave me medicine, but said he could not do much for me, and that in time the disease would kill me. In this way I continued to suffer for fourteen years. During that period I took every sort, and rhumatism medicine I heard of, but nothing gave me more than temporary relief."

"In March, 1890, I had a bad attack and was bedfast for over two months, when one night a friend of mine, Mr. James Ingham, of Old Trafford, called to see me. The pain was at its height, and seeing my condition, he said he knew of something that would do me good. He brought me a few doses in a bottle but refused to say what it was. It gave me so much relief that I sent my wife to ask him. He said my complaint was 'Chalk Gout.' He gave me medicine, but said he could not do much for me, and that in time the disease would kill me. In this way I continued to suffer for fourteen years. During that period I took every sort, and rhumatism medicine I heard of, but nothing gave me more than temporary relief."

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A Newport, Ky., girl married a fellow seven feet tall. She had loved him long.

Everything in these days is checked in the baggage-car except the iron robbers.

A great man is one who knows how to make somebody else paddle his canoe for him.

In what part of a man's anatomy is the right spot, where things that please him strike?

The question that confronts the fast young man is whether he will let up now or let down later.

The United States should keep peace with China as long as the Pacific Ocean rolls between them.

Citizens of Rome avoid travelling in Russia on account of the disposition of the Russians to kill a Roman.

He—I would propose to—do you know what I mean? She—Oh, you wouldn't if you knew I'd say."

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